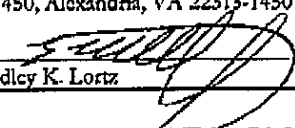


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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), please charge the amount of \$180.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0494 of Gates & Cooper LLP for having the items of information listed considered after the mailing date of a final Office Action on-the-merits. No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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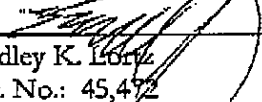
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